

**Message to the Congress  
Transmitting the District of  
Columbia Courts' Fiscal Year 2000  
Budget Request**

*February 5, 1999*

*To the Congress of the United States:*

In accordance with the District of Columbia Code, as amended, I am transmitting the District of Columbia Courts' FY 2000 Budget request.

The District of Columbia Courts have submitted a FY 2000 Budget request for \$131.6 million for its operating expenditures and \$17.4 million for courthouse renovation and improvements. My FY 2000 Budget includes recommended funding levels of \$128.4 million for operations and \$9.0 million for capital improvements for the District Courts. My transmittal of the District of Columbia Courts' budget request does not represent an endorsement of its contents.

I look forward to working with the Congress throughout the FY 2000 appropriation process.

**William J. Clinton**

The White House,  
February 5, 1999.

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**Digest of Other  
White House Announcements**

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The following list includes the President's public schedule and other items of general interest announced by the Office of the Press Secretary and not included elsewhere in this issue.

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**January 30**

The President and Hillary Clinton went to Camp David, MD, for the weekend.

The White House announced that the President and Hillary Clinton will travel to Mexico for a meeting with President Ernesto Zedillo on February 15 and to Central America on March 8–11, visiting Nicaragua, Honduras, El Salvador, and Guatemala.

**February 1**

In the morning, the President and Hillary Clinton returned to Washington, DC.

The President announced his intention to appoint E. Linn Draper, Jr., as a member of the President's Council on Sustainable Development.

**February 2**

In the morning, the President traveled to Boston, MA. In the evening, he traveled to New York City and later returned to Washington, DC.

The President announced his intention to nominate Anne Udall to be a Public Trustee at the Morris K. Udall Scholarship and Excellence in National Environmental Policy Foundation.

The White House announced that the President will meet with President Jamil Mahuad of Ecuador and President Alberto Fujimori of Peru at the White House on February 5.

The White House announced that the President will travel to Atlanta, GA, on February 5 and to Wintergreen, VA, on February 9.

**February 3**

The President announced his intention to nominate Joseph E. Brennan to be a Commissioner of the Federal Maritime Commission.

The President announced his intention to nominate Joseph Bordogna to be Deputy Director of the National Science Foundation.

**February 4**

In the morning, the President met separately with Prime Minister Pandeli Majdo of Albania, Prime Minister Ljubco Georgievski of Macedonia, and Chairman Yasser Arafat of the Palestinian Authority in the Cabinet Room at the Washington Hilton Hotel. The President also had brief discussions with Leah Rabin, widow of the late Israeli Prime Minister, and with Steven Flatow, whose daughter was the victim of a 1995 terrorist attack in Gaza.

The White House announced that the President will launch the AmeriCorps Call to Service campaign at the University of Maryland in College Park on February 10.